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EXDIS FOR THE SECRETARY FROM EAGLEBURGER

E.O. 11652:GDS

TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A.), IS

SUBJECT: CALL FROM DINITZ

1. DINITZ HAS CALLED TO SAY THAT HE JUST TALKED WITH THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE IN JERUSALEM. ACCORDING TO THE LATTER, UPI IS NOW RUNNING A STORY QUOTING YESTERDAY'S EL AHRAH AS FOLLOWS: "EGYPT HAS REALIZED A MAJOR DIPLOMATIC VICTORY FOR THE PALESTINIANS BY TAKING THE FIRST PRACTICAL STEP TO ENSURE THEIR PARTICIPATION IN THE GENEVA MIDDLE EAST CONFERENCE. THE PALESTINIANS WILL BE REPRESENTED AT THE CONFERENCE, WHICH WILL RECONVENE NEXT YEAR, BY THE PLO IN ITS CAPACITY AS THE SOLE AND LEGITIMATE REPRESENTATIVE. WITHOUT EXPLAINING THE NATURE OF THE STEP, THE NEWSPAPER SAID A SUPER POWER -- AN OBLIQUE ALLUSION TO THE U.S. -- HAS HAD SECRET CONTACTS RECENTLY WITH THE PLO AND THE OUTCOME OF THESE CONTACTS WAS ENCOURAGING AND POSITIVE."

2. ACCORDING TO DINITZ, RABIN WILL BE MEETING WITH THE CABINET TOMORROW (SUNDAY). HE HAS ASKED DINITZ TO BRING THE UPI STORY TO YOUR ATTENTION AND TO TELL YOU THAT HE WOULD APPRECIATE THE FOLLOWING:

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(A) AUTHORIZATION FROM YOU TO TELL THE CABINET TOMORROW
THAT THE STATEMENT HAS NO BASIS SO FAR AS THE U.S. IS CON-

CERNED. THE U.S. POSITION WITH REGARD TO RENEWAL OF THE
GENEVA CONFERENCE HAS NOT CHANGED FROM THE POSITION
EARLIER ENUNCIATED. THERE HAVE BEEN NO SECRET CONTACTS
WITH THE PLO OR EGYPT ON THIS SUBJECT.

(B) IF THE STORY CONTINUES TO RUN ON THE WIRES OVER THE
WEEKEND, WOULD YOU AUTHORIZE YOUR SPOKESMAN TO DENY IT IN
ANSWER TO A QUESTION ON MONDAY.

3. IF YOU HAVE ANYTHING FOR DINITZ LET ME KNOW AND I WILL
PASS IT ON. ROBINSON

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